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LAKE SHASTINA AREA MAN INDICTED FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that DAVID ARTHUR EVANS, 58, of Montague, California, was arrested today on federal charges of possessing child pornography. A federal grand jury returned a two-count indictment on February 16 alleging that on June 30, 2005, EVANS knowingly possessed images on his computer depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. In a second count, the government seeks the forfeiture of the computer EVANS used to maintain his collection of child pornography.

This case was investigated by the FBI, Siskiyou County Sheriff's Department, and the Northern California Computer Crimes Task Force.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Matthew Stegman, who is prosecuting the case, if convicted of the charge, EVANS faces a maximum penalty of 10 years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and a potential life term of supervised release.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.